(*b*) The Government, the P. W. D. Advisory Committee, the labour, and employers.

(*c*) The rates of wages are

	Alleppey.	Shertalai.
Men	9 Chs.	7½ Chs.
Women	6 Chs.	5 Chs.
Boys	4 Chs.	3½ Chs.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) to (*g*) Do not arise in view of the reply to part (d.)

The Travancore Coir Factory Workers' Union and the Relief Committee.

28. **MR. P. S. MUHAMED** : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the Travancore Coir Factory Workers' Union protested against the decision of the Relief Committee on the question of wage rate and of contract system ;

(*b*) whether the labour representatives made a walk-out from the meeting of the Relief Committee as a protest against the decision of the Committee on the above questions ;

(*c*) whether the Union advised the labourers to keep away from doing the Relief works ; and

(*d*) whether the labourers had struck work on the advice of the Union ?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Government have no information.

(*d*) No.

Alleppey Port.

29 [357]. **MR. P. S. MUHAMED**: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the number of vessels that touched Alleppey Port in 1116 ?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: The statement* is laid on the table.

Wage rate of agricultural labourers.

30. **MR. P. S. MUHAMED**: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table the average rate of agricultural labourers—for men, children and women labourers separately ?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS (*Director of Industries*) : The rate varies from 4 chs. to 8 chs. for men, 3 chs. to 6 chs. for women and 2 chs. to 4 chs. for boys.

Wage rates in P. W. D. Works.

31. **MR. P. S. MUHAMED** : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table the wage rate of men, children and women labourers employed in P. W. D. Works in the taluks of Ambalapuzha and Shertala ?

* Vid Appendix XVII.—page

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